



St. Mary Magdalene Parish

St. Columba
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Sts. John & Paul
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Pastor: Fr. Suresh Savariraj HGN

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Office Hours: 9 am – 5 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays || 9 am – 9 pm on Tuesdays & Thursdays
2 pm – 6 pm on Saturdays || 8 am – 1 pm on Sundays

For Baptisms: Call the office *one month before desired date*

For Marriages: Call the office *6 months before desired date*

For RCIA: Call the office any time

Confessions: 2:30pm to 3:30pm @ St. Dunstan's. For any other time, call the office.

June 29th – July 5th, 2025 – Saints Peter and Paul

1st Reading: Acts 12.1-11

Gospel: Matthew 16.13-19

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 17-18

NOTICE OF POSTPONEMENT: Please note that the meeting is postponed to July 6 @ 3pm.

Parishioners who has interest, time and some knowledge of catechism are invited to come forward for a discussion about exploring the future catechism to children and adults at St. Mary Magdalene Parish:

Where: MBFC

When: July 6th, 3pm

What to bring: ideas to discuss

JULY IS THE MONTH OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST, when we recognize that Jesus shed His own Blood in atonement for our sin, reconciling humanity with God. He shed His Blood willingly for us, an ultimate expression of God's love and mercy, in exchange for the salvation of our souls and our redemption. Devotion to the Precious Blood nourishes us, heals us, and protects us from evil. We believe that the Host, consecrated by the priest at Mass, while saying the words Jesus used at the Last Supper - 'THIS IS MY BODY, THIS IS MY BLOOD' - BECOMES THE TRUE PRESENCE OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST. How much closer to Jesus can we come on earth, than at Communion then, as the Host courses through our body as we receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus. Being so close to Him at Communion, the One Who died for love of us will surely hear our pleas. St. Padre Pio said the tiniest spark of faith is like a lightning bolt in the darkness. Let us reach out to Our Loving God. See the display at the left front of the church across from St. Joseph's altar, starting the end of next week, through July, for prayers to take and use 🙏

🎄 Christmas in July 🎄 - Christmas Exchange Program

In order to help build our fund for the Christmas Exchange Program for this year, which is at \$3,376 at the moment, we will have a Christmas Tree in the entrance of Regent Street as well as King Street for the month of July. You are welcome to take an envelope off the tree and include your donation to be dropped in the offertory basket during the month of July or leave it at the office. You can also do a e-transfer indicating "Christmas Exchange Program" in the notes. You can also indicate your weekly envelope number for tax receipt purposes. Thank you in advance for your tremendous generosity 🙏

"Our parish is in search for a free electric fireplace! If you have one and want to donate it to Monsignor Boyd Family Centre this would be greatly appreciated. We are planning to create a prayer corner with a living room feeling. If you have some religious statues or pictures in frame, fake plants in pots, cushions, throws in good condition we would also welcome them. Thank you for your support 🙏"

Readings for July 6th

1st Reading: Isaiah 66.10-14

Gospel: Luke 10.1-12, 17-20

2nd Reading: Galatians 6.14-18

ST. DUNSTAN

Mass Intentions:

Sat, Jun 28	4:00 PM	Bob Shaw
Sun, Jun 29	9:00 AM	Gary Llewellyn
	11:30 AM	Vi Murphy
Tue, Jul 1	6:30 PM	NO MASS
Wed, Jul 2	6:30 PM	Myrna Asejo
Thu, Jul 3	12:05 PM	Fr. Suresh (Thanksgiving)
Fri, Jul 4	6:30 PM	Kay Newell
Sat, Jul 5	4:00 PM	Gene Kervin
Sun, Jul 6	9:00 AM	Darren Benjamin
	11:30 AM	Patricia Dickeson

STS. JOHN & PAUL

Mass Intentions:

Sun, Jun 29	11:00 AM	Jo Anne Colford
Sun, Jul 6	11:00 AM	Ernest and Lorraine Logan

ST. COLUMBA

Mass Intentions:

Sun, Jun 29	9:00 AM	Pastoral Council of St. Mary Magdalene Parish
Sun, Jul 6	9:00 AM	Margie MacNeil

VIGIL CANDLES: Those who like to light the vigil candles for their intentions are asked to get the candles from the office.

DISPLAYING OF ARTICLES IN THE CHURCH: If anybody wants to place an article or books or any information on the tables or notice boards at the entrances to the churches, **please get permission from the Pastor**. Thank you.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Election: The selection of the new parish pastoral council members will be guided by the following schedule:

July 5th and 6th, 2025	- Deadlines to put nomination sheet in the collection basket
July 8 th , 2025	- Nominations Process Committee will meet to gather the information
July 15 th @ 7 pm	- 1st Discernment Evening
July 22 nd @ 7 pm	- 2nd Discernment Evening
July 26 th and 27 th	- Nominations in the bulletin with bio
August 9 th and 10 th	- Election
August 12 th	- Counting
August 16 th and 17 th	- Names of new Parish Pastoral Council Members are posted in the bulletin

Membership needed for the new Pastoral Council:

Saint Columba = 2 members
Saints John & Paul = 2 members
Saint Dunstan = 2 members

PILGRIMAGE: Are you interested in an opportunity to travel locally and to appreciate what we have at home? We are planning a pilgrimage! We need 40 people for this to work. It would be a day trip from St. Dunstan's to Metepenagiag to explore more than 10,000 years of unceded presence; a meal; a tour of St. Michael's Basilica learning how Acadian and Irish cultures meet in one common faith. We are exploring July 21st. There will be a fee based on the use of a bus, the entrance at Metepenagiag and the meal. If interested, please email your contact information to Nadine.LebLANC0@icloud.com or call (506) 999-1147 **on or before July 11th**.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT for St. Mary Magdalene Parish: This is to acknowledge that the land on which we gather to pray is the traditional territory of the Wolastoqiyik whose ancestors along with the Mi'kmaq and Passamaquoddy Tribes / Nations signed Peace and Friendship Treaties with the British Crown in the 1700s.

Offertories Received – Week Ending in June 22				
	<u>St C</u>	<u>Sts J&P</u>	<u>St D</u>	<u>Total</u>
Regular offertories	\$50	\$851	\$6,054	\$6,955
Cathedral restoration	n/a	n/a	\$805	\$805
Next Special Collection is July 6 for Building Fund				

We **WELCOME** to the Roman Catholic community the following:

Jack McCann, son of Michael McCann & Cassidy McIsaac, who was baptized on July 5th, 2025
and

Kevin Kline, son of Robert Kline and Marta Shilman, who was baptized and confirmed on July 4th, 2025.



CONGRATULATIONS to the following couple on their upcoming wedding:

Mark & Lilia on June 28th

Franklin & Clara on July 5th

Kevin & Kathryn on July 7th



The **Couples for Christ (CFC)** community would like to invite **all kids ages 4 to 8yrs old** to join the CFC - **Kids for Christ Junior Kids Camp** that will be happening on **July 5th, 2025 from 9am to 1pm** at **Sts. John and Paul Church Family Center**. There will be a \$5 registration fee to cover the kid's meal and materials that will be used in the activity. Only 30 attendees will be admitted. Parents' Orientation will be scheduled the week prior to the camp and MS Teams link will be emailed to them.

Our Lady of Grace Catholic School in New Maryland, an affordable independent Catholic K-12 school in New Maryland dedicated to providing a solid education in a safe joyful environment, has openings for next year. For information contact www.ladyofgrace.org or call 506-459-3518

Mark your calendars please:

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| July 1 st (Canada Day) | - NO MASS |
| July 3 rd (First Thursday) | - Mass & Adoration at Sts John & Paul |
| July 4 th (First Friday) | - Mass & Adoration, 6:30pm at St. Dunstan's |
| July 5 th (First Saturday) | - Mass & Rosary, 9am at St. Dunstan's |
| July 6 th | - Meeting regarding Faith Formation / Sunday Catechism |
| July 19 th | - Procession of the Blessed Sacrament in honor of the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene at 5pm, St. Dunstan's Church. |
| July 20 th | - Parish picnic, 12:30pm at MBFC |
| July 22 nd | - Special Mass at St. Dunstan's, 6:30pm for the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene. |

HAPPY CANADA DAY, Everyone!!!

Thanks to everyone who came out to celebrate the Feast of Sts. John and Paul, and to the volunteers who helped with Liturgy and BBQ!



- The Basilica of Saints John and Paul sits on top of the Caelian Hill.
- The basilica is built over the home of the brothers, Roman military officers and blood brothers, who were martyred for the Catholic faith.
- They were very successful soldiers, and Constantine the Great entrusted Saints John and Paul with the protection of his daughter, Constantia.

-Upon Constantine's death in 337, he bequeathed a large inheritance to the brothers allowing them to retire to private life, build a house on the Caelian Hill, lead Christian lives of charity and prayer, and prospered under the reign of Constantine II.

-In 361, Emperor Julian the Apostate, known for his pagan revival, rose to power and called the brothers back to service - this meant renouncing their faith. They refused.

-Julian gave them 10 days to change their minds and worship/make offerings to pagan gods. Instead, they took the ten days to distribute their wealth to the poor.

-Emperor Julian sent Terentianus for the two brother's answer. When he arrived, the brothers were in prayer obviously rejecting Julian. They were beheaded immediately, side by side, on the night of June 26, 362 in private, in their own home.

-Later, a woman named Pammachi, who could have been a Christian noblewoman, helped bury their bodies in their house.

-Julian spread the rumor that he had sent Saints John and Paul into exile.

-The truth was soon known. A person, praying in the house, was granted a vision. He saw, and loudly announced, the details of the heinous crime.

-After this, many were converted, including Terentianus.

-One year later to the day of the martyrdom of Saints John and Paul, on June 26, 363, Julian the Apostate, was felled by an arrow while campaigning in Mesopotamia. He died with the words "Viciis Galilaeae" ("Thou hast conquered, Galilean")

-Since the fifth century, the names of Saints John and Paul have been included in the Roman Canon of the Mass. Saints John and Paul's feast day is celebrated on June 26, the date of their martyrdom.

Basilica of Saints John and Paul on the Caelian Hill



Sts. John and Paul Roman Catholic Church New Maryland, NB

-Sts. John and Paul Parish was established by Bishop Arthur J. Gillbert – July 1978.

-The new parish officially opened on September 24, 1978.

-Masses were held in the New Maryland Recreation Center and the nearby Anglican Church.

-An extremely dedicated, passionate and hardworking group of parishioners cleared land that was donated by Mr. John Jensen for the church to be built, and it was dedicated on October 18, 1981.

-Father John Laden CsC was the first priest appointed to the new parish, and St. Columba was the Mission Church of Sts. John and Paul - forming a close bond between the two churches that still exists today.

-The rectory was completed by January 1985.

-The beautiful stained-glass windows have all been lovingly donated by some of the original parishioners.

Eight of the ten of these windows were designed by Nora Gaston. When the dedication of the windows was celebrated in June, 2001, Ms. Gaston wrote: *"The.. overall impression I wanted to achieve..the windows was one of movement, of vitality. The church is alive, composed of living, breathing people. We have our buildings, our places set apart, our sanctuaries but, essentially, the church is the people. Definitely something to celebrate... I decided to use the border idea from the original windows, of Micmac patterns, and to let the new designs flow through these borders... In some designs you will also see shapes from old traditional windows, echoes from the past and my tribute to those craftsmen".*

-The Altar in the church was created by Bob Osbourn, a New Brunswick craftsman, using native wood. The wooden items of the church such as the Tabernacle, Baptismal Font, the cross on the outside wall and more – all were made from native wood.

-Stations of The Cross are copper made by Alma Johnston and placed on stones that were carefully hand-picked along the SJ/Fredericton Hwy by parishioners.

-The HOSTIA creation over the doors on entering the nave of the church was meticulously designed and done by Susan Judah, a parishioner.

-The beautiful statue of The Blessed Virgin Mary was lovingly donated in memory of Joan Bourque, a lovely lady who meant so much to many and will always be with those who knew her and us who know of her.

